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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether U.G.C. has given approval to start professional courses/technical subjects in accordance with the modern needs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof particularly in Kerala?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b): According to the information furnished by UGC,the Universities are autonomous organisations and have the authority to introduce new courses on their own. However, UGC provides grants for introduction of selected vocational subjects as part of the undergraduate courses in Arts, Science and Commerce. These vocational subjects are enclosed as Annexure. In this academic session 2002-03 out of 51 proposals received from the Colleges of Kerala State 16 proposals have been approved for introduction of vocational subjects as part of undergraduate course.